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SUBJECT: TIN -- WORKING PARTY ON COST AND PRICES

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1. WORKING PARTY OF THE INTERNATIONAL TIN COUNCIL'S
COMMITTEE ON COST AND PRICES (CAP) WILL MEET NOVEMBER
16 AND 17 UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE US. MEMBERS
ARE AUSTRALIA, BOLIVIA, INDONESIA, MALAYSIA, NIGERIA,
AND THAILAND FOR THE PRODUCERS; CANADA, FRANCE, FRG,
JAPAN, NETHERLANDS AND THE UK FOR THE CONSUMERS. THERE
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IS A POSSIBILITY THAT THE NETHERLANDS WILL BE REPLACED

BY A REPRESENTATIVE FROM EASTERN EUROPE.

2. THIS WILL BE A TECHNICAL MEETING RESPONSIBLE FOR EXPLORING IN DETAIL COST DATA PROVIDED BY PRODUCERS IN RESPONSE TO THE DECISION AT THE LAST ITC MEETING (REFTEL). THE FINDINGS OF THE WORKING PARTY WILL THEN BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE FULL MEETING OF THE CAP ON NOVEMBER 22.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: WOULD APPRECIATE ANY COST STUDIES MADE BY USG OR OTHERS WHICH MIGHT BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE WORKING PARTY. DEPARTMENT MAY ALSO WISH TO CONSIDER SENDING A USG OR INDUSTRY TECHNICIAN TO ASSIST THE US CHAIRMAN AT THE WORKING PARTY MEETINGS. IT SHOULD BE BORNE IN MIND THAT THIS WILL BE A TECHNICAL RATHER THAN A POLICY LEVEL MEETING AND EMPHASIS WILL BE UPON ACHIEVING THE MOST ACCURATE DATA BASE POSSIBLE. WORKING PARTY UNDOUBTEDLY WILL GO BEYOND ATTEMPTING TO DRAFT A REPORT TO POINTING UP SPECIFIC QUESTIONS FOR THE FULL CAP TO CONSIDER.

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